

REMARKS

Claims 2, 4-8, 13, 15, and 20-22 are amended; new claim 23 is added; and claims 1, 3, 9-12, and 16-19 are canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 2, 4-8, 13, 15, and 20-23 are pending.

The amendments to the claims, and the added new claim 23, are based on the application as originally filed, so it is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 28, 2008, it is stated that the “Applicant must amend the claims with respect to the last entered version (i.e., the version filed 8/4/2006) and properly show all changes therefrom”.

The claims are amended accordingly based on the claims in the amendment filed August 4, 2006. The status identifiers are also provided relative to the amendment filed August 4, 2006.

Since this is a response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment which indicates that only the claims are non-compliant, only the claims are required to be provided in the present response, and so the present amendment provides the pending claims which comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

The present response is timely filed, since a one-month period was provided from March 28, 2008 to April 28, 2008 to supply the correction.

Entry and approval of the present response and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

In case of any deficiencies in fees by the filing of the present amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such deficiencies in fees to Deposit Account Number 01-0035.

Respectfully submitted,

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